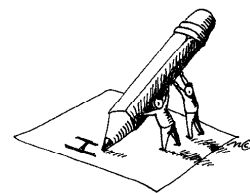


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Consider
time period,
setting, and
context



1.

Broad
opening
sentence

2.

3.

Add more
background
details
and historical
explanation

(as you move closer
to the thesis
statement)

4.

5. (Thesis Statement:)

Specific thesis
statement

(in a compound-
complex structure
that follows the
thesis formula)